



# The Acorn



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## THE TEACHER'S JOB

### Through Smoked-Colored Glasses

Do you Smoke? I mean do you do your smoking in our smoker? If you do do your smoking in our smoker, don't read this article. I mean, if you smoke in the smoker, you know what it looks like (when you can see) and you are, it would seem, happy to frequent there and aren't ready to argue about its lamentable condition. So don't read this article.

You know that of seven hundred fifty students only fifty to seventy-five can smoke at one time, in the smoker without setting fire to someone else. You know that you'll never find a place to rest your weary bones in the smoker, if you do your smoking there. You know that no matter how hard you try not to, you'll manage someday to trip over the ash-filled ash-cans and make a mess and then the smoker will be closed. You know that you'll probably freeze to death in the smoker because the window is open for ventilation and to get some air for those who have the respiration habit.

You know that once the crowd has shoved you into a corner that you'll never get out of there in time for class because somebody forgot to give you a map and everyone is suddenly stone-deaf when you pleadingly say, "Excuse Me," or when you scream, "Let me out of here." So why read this article about the smoky smoker?

Did you know that there is a fire-extinguisher in the smoker? It's against the wall under an ash-tray and since people are usually leaning on it you've probably never seen it. I think it's

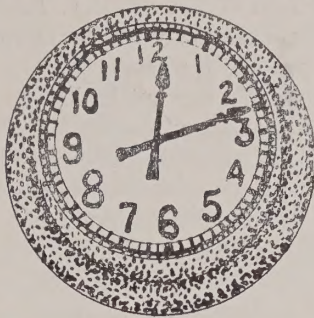
there in case someone accidentally sets fire to the relic—or is it a piano — that's next to another wall and takes up the space of three smokers.

So now, cigarette fans, we know that if you follow the smokey aroma of burnt tobacco that delicately assails your nostrils when you travel the lower trail to get to the pass that leads to the cafeteria, you would discover a smokey classroom. Upon entering—

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### FROM AN ACORN TO AN OAK TREE

OUR little undernourished Acorn is beginning to feel the food of contributions. This is a fine feeling and it is important to the growth of the tree. You see if our little Acorn isn't watered with news articles and fed with chemically treated informal articles it is likely to die from blight. So, continue to support the campaign for stamping out Acorn to Oak Tree disease. All contributions are being collected by members of the Acorn Staff or you may leave your article in Room 26, second draw, righthand side of the desk.



### One Clock, Retired

I am the Auditorium clock. Once I kept quite accurate time but now I am old, have slowed down and recently I have stopped. I have not taken my retirement too badly. Considered as a well earned rest, I take it gratefully. Twenty-three years is a long time in the life of a clock.

No, I don't regret retiring. I've lived a full and active life and I shall be happy to sit back and enjoy just watching life go on.

As a matter of fact, most of my enjoyment in life came from doing my job well and watching the young people around me. Yep, I began work at W.S.T.C. in 1937 when girls were the only ones I saw five days a week. We had a lot of fun in those days. Quite a while ago it was.

My later years were especially active. Skits for instance have been presented for almost every cause. Scholarship Teas, Proms, and Winter Carnivals have all had their praises sung in front of me. I often think that most of the enjoyment derived from student presentations is obtained when the "skit" is in rehearsal.

I have watched announcements which run the gamut from the names and numbers of the cars to be moved, to singing Happy Birthday for Eleanor Sullivan. I have seen many Dramatic Club presentations and heard many glee club concerts.

I have watched student-speakers who, just out of High School, have tried to keep their knees from knocking and I have seen them a little more than three years later when they seemed to be the epitome of poise and calm.

Many is the time that a student has casually looked up into my face and realized that he has but three minutes to get to class two flights up.

Yup, I've enjoyed my life at STC. Twenty-three years is a long time. I'll enjoy my rest.

J. C.

### THE FUTURE

At Worcester State Teachers College, a midst term papers, exams, and other activities we seem to forget that college consists of more than studying. We should give some thought to a most important subject, our school.

Recently, we held our Winter Carnival and only a small per-

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### WHAT MAKES THE SUCCESSFUL TEACHER?

Stop! Before you take another step . . . stop and consider! Ask yourself, "Do I have the 'makin's of becoming a successful teacher?" There are certain basic characteristics which successful teachers of all school levels possess. It is the purpose of this article to make you aware of what these basic characteristics are and in so doing, attempt to help you answer the pending question. The following discussion is based primarily upon the conclusions drawn from various readings and the writers limited experience in contact with teachers.

What are these characteristics? Because these qualities are of equal importance, they are not presented in any special order. The first characteristic under consideration is the desire to help other people. The real teacher is truly dedicated to this end. It is his sole responsibility to further develop the totalness of the individual pupil. If you feel that you lack this desire then you undoubtedly will become an extremely poor teacher.

Another important characteristic to consider in becoming a successful teacher is the adherence to physical and mental health rules. Physical and -emotional well-being has a definite relationship to happiness. If you physically exercise, insist on choosing a good diet, and get the proper amount of sleep, then you should be physically fit. The successful teacher maintains at all times emotional stability. In order to be emotionally stable you should take pride in grooming, poise,

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### SHOE SIZES

Walking through the corridors of the College, one cannot help but notice the cheerful attitude among the Seniors. A closer observation unveils the fact that it is not because each day brings them closer to graduation, nor is it the natural quality of gaiety that every Senior possesses in a greater quantity than the underclassmen. It can only be in reference to some coming event that pertains wholly to them.

Upon closer inspection and suave eavesdropping we can formulate an answer. The annual Senior Trip to New York City is drawing near. Everywhere you turn small groups of Seniors can be seen assembled in orderly huddles talking about their plans for the trip. Such questions as "Who's rooming with you?" "Which Broadway play are you going to?" are the main topics of conversation.

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## 1984

Any revolution usually begins on a college campus or beer hall, slowly grows and ferments, and then explodes on the country side, shattering the quiet serenity and complacency of the inhabitants. Such a revolution has taken place. It began in the late fifties with students crowding into phone booths and into compact cars. The goal was to fit as many people as possible in as small an area as possible. This movement grew to extremes with thirty-nine German students suffocating to death in a Volkswagen and twenty-three Russian students freezing in a General Electric refrigerator. Finally, the United Nations stepped in and ordered the world to stop this nonsense, although the Russians wanted to keep this cold war going. They had managed to squeeze fifty men, women, and children into a phone booth. This stunt they were saving for the Brussels World's Fair.

At last, the world came to its senses, but before long, a new craze swept America and the rest of the world, that of icicle growing. Students on a third floor dormitory had added water to a growing icicle until it reached the ground, twenty-three feet below. Soon, all colleges in America and Europe were "growing" enormous icicles.

The schools in the South were not to be outdone, and began competing by growing huge clinging vines that extended, in some cases, from state to state. Even Congress was divided in those days with the Southern "Vine"

Senators opposed to bills instituted by the "icicle" north wing.

Radical groups sprang up on the border of the Mason-Dixon line, and began to grow both vines and icicles. These states were "wooded" by both North and South, and had to choose to go either way. Some leftwingers, not content with their lot, started a crusade to "icicelize" the world. They began by entering under developed countries and by showing them the advantages of "icicling" and the bad points of the "vinists."

Russia, not to be outdone, (Continued on Page 5)



Staffers Peruse Past ACORNS For Ideas

### NO SCHOOL SPIRIT — WHY?

Seems that every year a great deal of criticism is invariably leveled at the lack of school spirit in this college. We are all aware of the fact that school spirit is at an all time low per usual. It is good to recognize our faults as a student body, but merely voicing these faults will not bring their under-lying causes to the surface.

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## EDITORIAL

A five star salute to the noontime activity, Worcester State Teachers Varsity versus the Allstars, March 9th in the gymnasium. This fiery action added much zest and feeling to all students who attended. Many fine comments were made to the effect that we could use more school time activities like this to increase and bolster interpersonal relationships among the student body.

It is not comprehended why more functions of this type cannot be planned for the remaining two months of this semester. With warm weather just around the corner and outside activities plentiful there should be no reason why similar functions could not be run. What do you say about this M.A.A. and W.A.A.?

The proposal has been made that the noontime period of each day is the most opportune time for staging such activities. The reason for this being that more students are free at this time, 12:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M., and participation plus observation is what is desired to bring about more unity within classes and between classes. Surely at least twice a week there could be some organized activity between sections and divisions or even classes, girls and boys alike. After all there are 8 Freshmen, 8 Sophomore, 5 Junior and 5 Senior divisions, more than enough for competition.

Solution: Contact your M.A.A. and W.A.A. club representatives, issue your challenge, and have them arrange for the contest. We have four very capable and conscientious Physical Education Instructors who would be more than willing to supervise and assist in any athletic encounter adequately proposed by the college athletic associations.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Ed. Refer to March 2, article "THE KNOCKER."  
An Open Letter to the author of "The Knocker."

The words **he** or **him** can be used generically to represent a group or a person. They are, however, more commonly used to denote the sex of the person being referred to.

In your article "The Knocker" is referred to as  
"he"—eight times  
"his"—three times  
"him"—twice and  
as "our boy" once.

If I am allowed to assume that the words "he", "his", and "him" (not to neglect "our boy") are used as they commonly are and restrict your article to the male sex then I, for one, resent it. How can a thing of this sort be restricted only to males?

Certainly, since the topic of your article is one of the frailties of a small **per cent** of the human

race, it seems that the sexes would be equally represented.

I just finished my fifth reading of your article. It doesn't stand the test of time.

You mention "the beauty of the world around him" and say that "he" is slow to notice it. So, apparently are you!! Obviously you spend much time watching and listening to "him" criticize someone's shoelaces, **etc.**

There has never been a nationwide contest for neatness.

Surely you have exaggerated! "He" must have opened "his" mouth once or twice a day with other than a critical remark. "He" could have nodded when "his" mother asked if "he" wanted one egg or two and "he" could have pointed to the "watery squash" but these seem highly unlikely.

If you can't say anything **good**, don't say anything at all.

Name with-held.

If you disagree with any articles that appears in the Acorn, please feel free to write a rebuttal.

# The Student Voice

It appears that there is something lacking in the stuff of which students are made today. Crisis arise which should excite the spirit of even the most timid, yet we find that the voice of the student is not raised to cry out against social injustice. Is it that we have no interest in what is taking place within our own nation or even throughout the world? I certainly hope not, for if such is the case, then democracy as a way of life can have little chance of continuing. If it is not lack of interest, of concern, then what is it? I am tempted to postulate that it is nothing more than complacency. Complacency of the worst sort, that pernicious sense of comfort, security, and well being which foster self-deceit. Such a disposition will ultimately be the ruin of this country. There is much to be done that needs to be done today not tomorrow. Where those in authority fail to provide the leadership we must goad or annoy them into action. We can not be like so many sheep being herded about, it is time that we exercise our prerogatives and insist that the cause of justice be persued. When institutions or concerns determine to practice social injustice through discrimination, then let us also discriminate, but instead of aganst the victims of prejudice, let us turn our efforts against those who draw lines of social barriers. We need not patronize those concerns which find it impossible to employ certain races of people. We can speak, write and speak out against social injustice. We can not condone social injustice with the statement, "there is little that I can do about it," for as I have said, there is much that we can and must do.

All too often we meet with the concept that the problem of segregation is a regional one and not of our concern as we do not appreciate the finer points of the issue. This sort of argument reminds me of Hitler and his local problem with the Jewish people. I say that the question of justice is no more local than is the question of democracy. If you wish to have democracy then you must have justice, for without it you will ultimately have tyranny of one sort or another. You will have two classes of people, the oppressors and the oppressed. There can be no compromising of the issue. Let us do our part to see that the interests of democracy and justice are complied with.

JOHN J. SCOTT

## THE PRIMARY SEASON

By GIL CRONIN

The Primary Season has arrived with all of its presidential hopefuls in a state of "bud" or "in full bloom." First I shall explain the two above terms. Candidates who have launched their campaigns and have officially announced that their "hats are in the ring" are said to be in full bloom. Such examples of this type are John F. Kennedy, Hubert Humphrey, and Richard Nixon. For the candidates who are definitely running but have not made their candidacy official, we say that they are "in bud" and expect to "bloom" when the time is ripe.

As we all know, this year's primary season began in New Hampshire on March 8 and ends in South Dakota and California on June 7. So far, the only announced candidates running in the primaries are Kennedy, Humphrey, and Nixon. Joining them, however, is Senator Wayne Morse who has decided to run against Kennedy in the Maryland primary. This is an indication of Morse's strategy. He isn't strong enough to stay in the "bud" so he has to enter at least two primaries. It should also be noted that Kennedy and Humphrey are both going to enter the Oregon primary, which is Morse's home state, in an attempt to hurt Morse early. The other "in the bud" candidates are running behind the scenes. At the time of this writing, Senator Lyndon Johnson of Texas is fighting for his "Presidential life" in an effort to settle the battle over civil rights. If he succeeds here, then he will be a definite front runner in Los Angeles. Senator Stuart Symington is the most widely travelled unannounced candidate of all. He has matched Senator Kennedy mile for mile and yet, he still isn't officially running although his name is entered in several primaries. Finally, there is an old flower "re-

budding" in South America. His name is Adlai Stevenson and he is not returning until after the key Wisconsin Primary. This primary is the battle of life and death for Humphrey and Kennedy. If both of these candidates burn themselves out, then the slogan "my guy is Adlai" may be heard again.

On the Republican side of the ballot, Mr. Nixon is way ahead of any opponent. His closest rival was Nelson Rockefeller, New York's liberal Republican governor. It seems that the conservative crowd has ruled out his possibilities, so Mr. Rockefeller bowed out. However, before I hand the nomination to Nixon, I should say that a draft "who else but Nelse" movement could materialize at convention time. The real excitement is the Vice-Presidential fight where Henry Cabot Lodge and Secretary of Labor, James Mitchell, have been mentioned. Others will probably loom forward, but so far these two men seem to be in strong consideration.

At this moment, Mr. Kennedy is holding a lead over the rest of the field so a duel between the young blood of the parties could materialize in 1960. Young men of their caliber should carry on

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# Loyalty Oath

The National Defense Education Act makes possible the pursuit of higher education through the generosity of a government which disloyalty would corrupt and ultimately destroy. One of the most bitterly opposed requisites for a loan resulting from this source is the necessity of a student's oath of loyalty to the American government. Senator John F. Kennedy has aptly summarized the opposition's views in this opinionated statement, "If we are to encourage young and restless minds to move into the far frontiers of knowledge . . . we must resist now any attempt to guide our students into a preconceived mold." Apparently Senator Kennedy and his constituents believe that a student's proclamation of national loyalty would be dangerous to his intellectual freedom and scholastic abilities. I wonder what will be

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## Veteran Notes

Ques. What is the maximum time I can wait before I return to school under the Korean G.I. bill?

Ans. Your schooling must begin prior to three years after discharge or release.

Ques. I went to school under the G.I. bill from 1957 to 1959. I am planning to return to school in the fall. Am I eligible for full benefits?

Ans. The Veterans Administration will grant a maximum of thirty-six months schooling. If you are still qualified, you will receive payments until your quota has run out. All your education must be completed within eight years after discharge or eight years after January 31, 1955, whichever is earlier.

Ques. Are veterans of World War I eligible for G.I. loans?

Ans. No, they are not.

Ques. What is the maximum allowance a Korean veteran may obtain?

Ans. Monthly education and training allowances under the Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952 provides the following:

|                                      | Full  | ¾    | ½    |
|--------------------------------------|-------|------|------|
|                                      | time  | time | time |
| Veteran with no dependent            | \$110 | 80   | 50   |
| Veteran with one dependent           | 135   | 100  | 60   |
| Veteran with more than one dependent | 160   | 120  | 80   |

Ques. I am planning to buy a new automobile. Am I eligible for a loan under the G.I. bill? I am a Korean veteran.

Ans. The Veterans Administration covers payments not to exceed \$1,600 on the purchase of a vehicle or conveyance, including special appliances **only** if you are a disabled veteran.

Ques. I am a Korean veteran. What type of benefit do I have in reference to renting a government house.

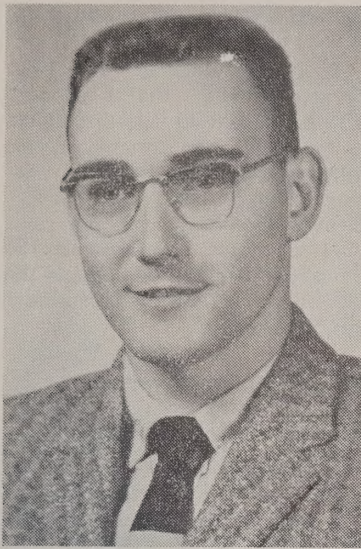
Ans. If you are released under honorable conditions, you receive preference in the purchase or rental of government housing; however, government projects have time limitations which you must obey.

Ques. What is the interest charge on a direct loan?

Ans. The interest rate is the same as on a G.I. loan. Presently the rate is five and one-half per cent.

Wes.





John E. Lynch  
Senior

John, or "Jack" as he is better known, came to us from Lowell Tech after spending three years there during which time he was a member of Delta Kappa Phi, a national textile fraternity, serving as its president and treasurer in his last two years and was also active in the school publications.

Jack was graduated from Brookfield High in 1953 ranking fourth in his class. He was the president of the Student Council, president of the National Honor Society, and editor of the school newspaper in his senior year. He was president of his class in his junior year. He was also a varsity baseball and basketball player and was captain of the track team in his senior year.

He is married and resides in Brookfield where he is active in political and civic affairs. He has served two years on the Board of Health, just completing a term as chairman; is a member of the Boy Scout advisory council; and is president of the four Brookfields' Connie Mack baseball leagues, after coaching the four years. He is employed by the Worcester Telegram and Gazette as a staff reporter working out of the county desk.

At WSTC, Jack has been a M.A.A. Board member for three years, treasurer and managing editor of the ACORN, a member of SNEA, the Science Club, and represented his class at the New York Conference in his sophomore year. He is also a charter member of the O.T.H. Club.

A senior secondary and mathematics major, he did his practice teaching at Tantasqua Regional High School in Sturbridge, where he also coached the Jayvee basketball team.

PAL

## Richard Denechaud Sophomore

"Dick" Denechaud spent the first two years of his high school career at St. Stephen's where he was a member of both the basketball and baseball teams. His junior and senior years were completed at North High where he was an active competitor in basketball and basketball.

Dick spent six months in the Coast Guard. Here again his athletic ability was recognized and he became a member of the baseball team at Camp May, New Jersey. His team won the 4th Naval District Championship, the North Atlantic Regionals and participated in the All-Navy tournament at Norfolk, Va.

# THE SUFFIELD METHOD

By VERNON H. SUFFIELD

A good portion of any student's life is spent in what we shall call transportation. Most student transporting today is taken care of by the automobile.

The automobile, or the "car" as some choose to name it, is, however, not suitable to the problem which is the main concern of this article. The problem to be here stressed is the ever-pressing one of transportation between classes.

Many tomes have been written and much has been discussed in this area. Week long conferences have been held on topics such as "The Number of Books A Student Can Suitably Carry When Changing Classes" or "Books as an Aid to Physical Education Between Classes".

I have, after long and tedious hours of serious study, formulated a few suggestions to facilitate changing classes.

**1 Books must be carried under the right arm.** Most students, being right-handed, will not find this a problem as their right arms are stronger and therefore better suited under which to carry a William H. Burton or the purple text used in Freshman English. (Research is being done into the reason for books becoming so much heavier and thicker than they have been, but this will be discussed in the next issue of *The Acorn*.)

**2 Students must "bear to the right."** This is a rule of the road in most communities, and therefore will be easily adapted to practical use in our corridors.

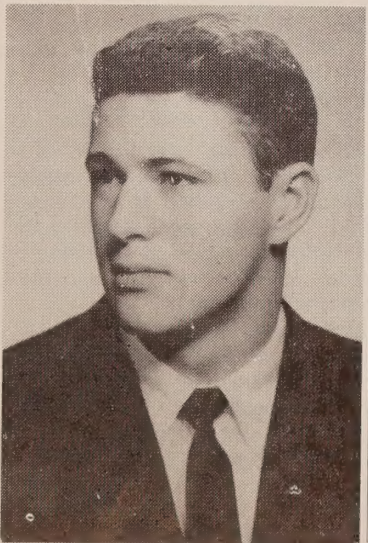
**3 Pace must be kept moderate.** Physicians have found that "the Golden Mean" in regard to physical activity is an aid to longevity. Should the need arise for a sudden burst of speed, tap the person in front of you, smile, say Hello! and shifting into passing gear, leave the hindrance behind you. Moderation is also advocated in tapping.

**4 Conversation must be kept at a minimum.** Between classes chatter is perhaps the greatest cause of "corridor tie-ups." If there are more than two people involved in the conversation those listening shop stop and form a single line—backs to those listening should stop and step out and address the group from not more than one pace. This would also increase the efficiency of speaking as there will be less need for such remarks as "What?", "Whatdihesay?", and "Sez who?".

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The next step in Dick's education was Worcester State Teachers College. As a freshman he was a member of the Newman Club and the baseball team. He enjoys reading and most sports.

As for the future, Dick feels that he would like to teach on the elementary level, preferably the fifth or sixth grades.



## Dear Willie Column

DEAR WILLIE:

I'm writing this letter in all seriousness. I've asked a few of my classmates, but they laugh or shrug their shoulders. When a boy kisses a girl goodnight, who should make the first move to break away—the boy or the girl?

UNINFORMED

DEAR UNIFORMED:  
I mean like, whoever is going to make breakfast.

DEAR WILLIE:

I love my boyfriend and I know he loves me. We have been going steady for four years and have always been truthful to each other. We've never fought over anything, but now I have a problem. He plays cards almost every night—so he says. But the students he says he plays cards with, say they don't play with him. I am very much confused. Should I ask for the truth or should I try to keep our relationship going and be quiet?

UNDECIDED

DEAR UNDECIDED:

Better check the size of your pot, if any, and make sure your chips, are still stacked properly, before asking for a new deal.

DEAR WILLIE:

My friend and I get along very well but I need your help on something. Whenever she is talking to me, in order to express herself either more clearly or emphatically, she hits me on the arm. I don't think she realizes she does this. I have painful bruises after spending a few hours with her. Is there any way I can get her out of this habit without telling her outright?

UNCOMFORTABLE

DEAR UNCOMFORTABLE:

Next time, fetch her a shot in the head.

## Smoked-Colored Glasses

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ing, you would find it necessary to adjust your bleary eyes to the grayness and bleakness of the smoker. And, when you brush the tears away, that you will be able to discern the shapes of a few benches and chairs, two tables covered with books and butts, and many, many ash-coated, ash-filled, ash-cans, for cigarettes of course.

If this were Japan, everyone would bring his little mat and sit on the floor and chat so that he could smoke while drinking coke. And if we, the student body, had use of the new lounge that's in the new building, under the new cafeteria, and next to the new library, we could still bring our little mats and chat and smoke while drinking coke.

Gloria Rheame

## NEBISHES NOOK

Certainly, (well almost certainly) one of the most acute problems facing the American people today is that of bath taking. Why, the modern generation, whoever they are or it is, as the case may or may not be, (let's see, how do I end this sentence) (yeah, that's enough commas, I think), has all but annihilated this venerable tradition. Of course, I, (looks right) not having taken a bath in years am not up with the new outlooks and bath-taking vogues. But, I shall endeavor to demonstrate the various procedures generally accepted in a good old-fashioned bath.

As for ingredients, one important factor is a person, bright-eyed and rosy-cheeked, and preferably filthy. Next, from what I understand (being extremely little) people to have said, or what I have heard in locker rooms and under bleachers, is water. At this stage we must regretfully leave the bourgeois world of the common man and enter the world of the connoisseur of the fine bath; because, you see, water comes in two varieties; one being hot, and the other known as cold. As of late, however, a trend has started to what is known as warm water. As I understand it (please refer to last parenthesized remark), this is obtained by combining hot and cold. The bathtub is also of some small importance in all of the future machinations of the bath-taker.

Finally, after familiarizing himself with his new environment, our filthy person jumps into (well, maybe he toes into) the hot water since he got too impatient trying to get the right mixture for warm, and absorbs the delightful heat of the scalding water. Presently F.P. (standing for filthy person) leaps from the tub, not because of the heat of the water, but because of the soap (another of the ingredients) which he forgot.

At last back into the tub and the invigorating warmth of the water. Soon, however, while scraping away some dirt, F.P. notices that the water level is not remaining constant, (there, we may enter the subject of physics and astrophysics, but I won't) (thank Heavens) but rather leaving him marooned. Our hero now remembers the fact that he also forgot to put the bath plug in its proper place. Finally, aware of the knowledge that he has at least scraped some of the dirt away, F.P. hops, or better said trips (— that soap!) out of the tub and wipes off. Presently, after hiding the filthy towel from his wife, F.P. leaves his abode refreshed and extolling the virtues of a good bath . . . now and then!

Michael Feer.



Eileen Hoey  
Junior

Eileen Hoey, more commonly known as Kathryn, and one of our most popular elementary girls, is a graduate of Ascension High where she was a member of the Glee Club and Sodality. She was active in social functions, and started her dramatic career there. She first showed her ability as a page, later she rose to the role of an Indian, and finally climaxed her career at Ascension as Gebo the angel.

This love for the theatre, later influenced her Freshman year at State Teachers, where she was requested by Mr. James Jackson to play a starring role in his production as a Turkish dancer. This was presented for the Scholarship Tea and was met with much success.

At W.S.T.C., Eileen is a member of S.N.E.A., A.C.E., Literary Club, and very active in the Newman Club.

But it seems that the love of the theatre continued to influence Eileen, and in her sophomore year, she returned to the stage as a cha cha dancer.

Eileen is currently practice teaching in the fifth grade in the Auburn School System, and is looking forward to her career as a teacher.

M. D.

## Leslie E. Brevard Freshman

A 1959 graduate of South High School. Les realizes the value of an education. He left high school to enlist in the navy. Upon his discharge, he returned to South to finish his education.

While at South, he was a member of the student council, manager of the football team, and was voted by his classmates as the best male personality in his class.

His chief recreational interests include sports and music. He plans to major in secondary education with history as his major.

The polite and personable young man says his philosophy of life is "to go through life with a smile and never with a frown"—something more of us ought to do.

Professors have commented about the sincerity of this lad and have wished that others would show the interest in all his subjects as Les does.

Les likes State Teachers and wants to enter the teaching profession. We're sure that he will always be a credit to himself as well as to teaching. He is what is labeled in our book as "can't miss material."



OH! YOU BABY!



1. Can you hear me in the back of the room?



5. That's our story and we're sticking to it.



2. What do you say Baby, you've got the next two classes free.



6. What do you mean watch out for ants?



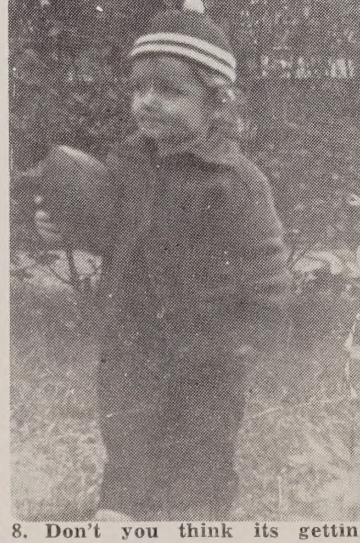
3. You mean you really can't stay?



7. O.K. Put up or shut up.



4. Come up and see me sometime, honey.



8. Don't you think its getting kind of cold for football, Mr. Mockler?

WHO  
THEY  
ARE...

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| 1. J. SOUZA<br>Jr. Sec. II    | 5. G. & D. HARGROVE        |
| 2. K. GUSTAVSON<br>Jr. Sec. I | 6. S. MURPHY<br>S-7        |
| 3. M. O'GORMAN<br>Sr. Eu. II  | 7. P. HOLT<br>F-4          |
| 4. R. RUBIN<br>Jr. Sec. II    | 8. J. JASPER<br>Jr. Sec. I |

APPLE-EATERS I HAVE KNOWN  
OR  
The Worm Turns

Did you ever look around you in the cafeteria and notice the way different people eat apples, I have. (It's a hobby of mine—I'm an avid apple-eater watcher.) You'd be surprised how people give away their personalities by such simple actions as this. For instance, here's a few types I observed in action just the other day.

**THE MISER:** has an odd technique with an apple—munches hurriedly on it with eyes shifting uneasily from side to side. Bent over it, holding the apple with both hands, he acts as if it were the golden fleece and Jason was coming to steal it. This one usually sits; a solitary, pathetic, little figure; in one corner of the cafeteria away from the crowd.

**THE BUSINESS MAN:** takes two giant bites at a time, eating away as if there were no tomorrow. Swallows so hurriedly he usually develops ulcers within a week. Hasn't got time to waste on food.

**THE SENSITIVE SOUL:** takes tiny bites, five quick, short munches, as if it were a crime to eat an apple. Tries to hide it while she eats. She chews as inconspicuously as possible, as if all eyes are glued to her mouth. She sometimes succeeds in not moving her mouth at all—would make a good ventriloquist.

**THE MAMA'S BOY:** his apple comes neatly wrapped in tin foil, always peeled and sectioned, the core carefully removed so the little darling won't choke on the seeds. The little darling is going on 30, and eats his slices quite neatly and properly, with his pinky daintily uplifted.

**THE FEMME FATALE:** emulates Eve and offers a bite very coyly to every boy within biting

The Suffield Method

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5 The traditional method must not be overlooked. Women should still go through intersections—like the rotunda—first. When benches, pipes, or building formations necessitate "narrowing the line," as I call it, women should always be shown preference. Doors, steps, bubblers and other such hindrances to speed should be overcome in the traditional manner.

The list of suggested procedures for the "Suffield Method" could go on and on, but I find it redundant to spell out what is, in essence, common sense.

The benefits reaped from this method are numerous. Increased efficiency would mean more time for important things. Prime seats in the Smoker (the efficiency of which will be discussed in a later issue) could easily be obtained. Getting to lockers would be simplified. Lunch hours would be made pleasant.

The "Suffield Method," as applied to corridors, besides decreasing embarrassing side-stepping, decreases accidents. This, as most of you know, would be a great boon to the general health of the college as warm weather comes around, Physical Education moves outside and accidents seem to increase.

Although this method may at first be difficult to comprehend, I am sure that with the aid of colorful posters proclaiming the praises and explaining the difficult parts of the Method, it will soon be adopted and in full use. Vernon H. Suffield

range. When she bites into it, she invariably leaves a big lip-stick smear over half the apple. ECK!

**JOHNNY APPLESEED:** a variant on the miser, this one eats right down to the core so as not to be wasteful. Then he carefully picks out the seeds, wraps them in wax paper, and saves them for spring planting.

**THE SLOB:** no one can squirt juice like this one can. Talks as he eats, and showers his audience with seeds, sauce, and saliva. A pleasure not to sit next to.

**THE MECHANICAL MAN:** eats his way around the apple with precise method. Each bite is meticulously timed and spaced so that each circumferential navigation takes exactly 1 minute and 6.2 seconds. This one even synchronizes his gulps. (Note: usually math.-science majors).

I could go on and on about the variety of characters available, but if you'll excuse me now, I'm in the mood for a nice big fat juicy red . . . pomegranite.

M. E. K.

Teacher's Job

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and carriage. Also it is vitally important to practice self-control.

The next point to consider is objectivity. The job of the teacher is to teach the pupil "how" to think but not "what" to think. In other words, in order to become a successful teacher you have to be impartial, fair, and open-minded. In a democracy it is not the teacher's role to "indoctrinate" the pupil but rather teach them "how" to think so that they are able to make their own decisions as to "what" to think.

The concern for personal appearance is a fourth characteristic. You should have a definite concern for your posture. Maintain a posture that commands respect. In addition to posture, a conscious effort should be made to wear the appropriate dress. Should a teacher wear "dirty" bucks in the classroom? Again, wear the appropriate clothes that will command respect.

Another important characteristic that contributes to the becoming of a successful teacher is buoyancy. That is, if you are optimistic, enthusiastic, and have a sense of humor, you undoubtedly possess the "makin's" of a good teacher. This characteristic is essential for both the elementary and secondary school teacher.

The last characteristic to consider in this discussion is intelligence. Intelligence is used here in its broadest sense. Besides intellectual capacity in scholarship, it includes foresight, imagination, and judgment.

Thus, the basic characteristics which are essential to successful teaching include the desire to help others, the adherence to physical and mental health rules, the ability to be objective, the concern for personal appearance, the need for a sense of humor, and finally, the ability of

foresight, imagination, and judgment.

There are other characteristics of good teachers that I am sure you could add to this discussion. I hope that this discussion will stimulate you to seriously consider your position as a prospective teacher and in doing so, I challenge you to answer the pending question: "Do I have the 'makin's' of becoming a successful teacher?"

Dick Phelps.

No School Spirit

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We are a commuting college. You and I leave our homes, come to school, chum with our own clique, and at day's end, return to our own private home-life.

In a school that has dormitories, a typical conversation would be as follow: "C'mon, Mary, Bill is going to take a buzz down to Rhode Island to see the game between W.S.T.C. and R.I.C.E. He's got room for two more!" So, in a short while, many cars loaded with guys and gals are leaving the dorms and are heading to the game.

Let's face it, true college life includes not only 'living-in', but also frats, sororities, hazing, and such. We just don't have these and—it's nobody's fault. In other words, we have two strikes against us before we even get up to cheer.

I can think of only one solution; and that, is a mild form of hazing. If we had a committee to set up the rules for hazing, and these rules were enforced, we would at least have a start toward enlivening our school spirit. The hazing could last one week during which time the Freshmen would have to salute upper-classmen, or perhaps even guard the building with brooms. There are many forms of hazing which I could add but that is not the purpose of this article. As a result of hazing or a 'hell week', there would be closer ties among the student body, not to mention the acquaintances that would be made.

You agree with my views? Fine. You disagree with my views? Fine. Whether you're pro or con, don't tell me—tell everyone by contributing your ideas to the **Acorn**; another media incidentally, for increasing much-needed school spirit.

N. D.

One Act Plays

The Dramatic Club held try-outs for two one-act plays in February.

These plays are "The Valiant," a one-act serious play which revolves around the identity of a prisoner about to die by execution, and "The Woman Who Understood Men," a one-act comedy based on the deceptions that men use to maintain the upper hand over women.

Richard Raymond was selected for the role of the prisoner in "The Valiant" and Mary Doherty was chosen for the part of Josephine Paris. Frederick Elliott James Jasper, and Howard Dimmick were also selected for parts.

In the one-act comedy John Gaumond, Dorothy McCarthy, Amelia Borci, Leslie Brooks and Sally Murphy were cast. This play will be directed by Joe Cooney.

These plays are the results of student requests for year long dramatic activity.

BUY U. S. SAVINGS  
BONDS



# AMONG THE NEW FACULTY . . . . .

"The reluctance of the American people to spend the money, lack of interest, complacency, a feeling that the Russians couldn't catch up, and a pre-occupation with self-interests," were part of the statements made by Dr. Kent Redmond, new professor of history at Worcester State Teachers College and former civilian deputy command historian in the Air Research and Development Command, United States Air Force. Dr. Redmond further feels that there is a definite missile gap in terms of the gravity of the situation.

Commenting further, Dr. Redmond feels that we failed to recognize the psychological effect of getting the first rocket on the moon. The Russians realized this and were out to enhance themselves by a leap from jump to bring them on par with the United States. Dr. Redmond states that since the United States is a wealthy nation we could have had both our material desires and missile while still following all the programs necessary to our defense. One trouble, he said was, that there are too many committees and not enough decisions.

Other sources of difficulty, commented Dr. Redmond, were American over-confidence which made them decide it wasn't necessary to enter into missiles and that we didn't comprehend the dangers of missiles and the A-bomb. We are still thinking in terms of two moats to the either side of us.

Comparing the Russian and American missiles, Dr. Redmond stated that the Russians have a more powerful propulsion unit which can throw a good size weight into orbit and that they also have a good guidance system. American missiles, he said, are more sophisticated and can get back more information. Dr. Redmond was quick to point out that the personnel working on the missiles are of good quality and in a crash program of five years put up the Atlas which in his opinion is a good missile.

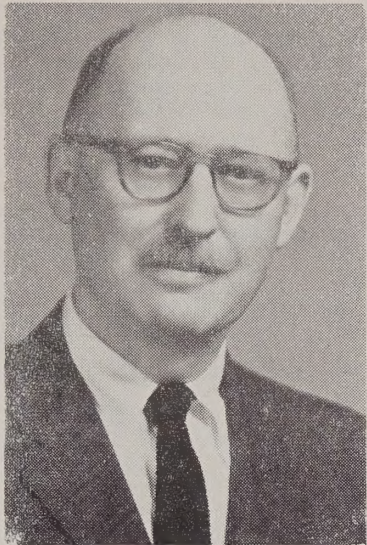
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DR. ANNE F. MILLAN

Doctor Anne F. Millan is among the new members of our faculty with whom probably only the girls have become acquainted. Doctor Millan joined our staff in September, 1959. She received her B.S. from Boston University, Sargent College and her M. A. degree from Mills College, Oakland, California. From thence, she went on to get her Doctorate of Education from Boston University. Before coming to Worcester, Doctor Millan taught in the Brookline school system, and prior to that she was assistant professor at Oregon College in Monmouth, Oregon. Although Doctor Millan has been here but a few months, I am sure that everyone who attended the Winter Carnival will wish to praise the work she did on it along with Mr. Mockler. Anyone who has Doctor Millan will admire her agility on the gym floor as well as her pleasant personality.

Marcia A. Horan



DR. KENT C. REDMOND  
JUDGMENT

A rich man walked with eyes downcast  
Neglecting all by which he passed,  
Absorbed in thoughts of gleaming gold  
That he might make and tightly hold.  
He thought the world a cruel place,  
An ugly thing he must face,  
And would not lift his eyes to see  
The miracles that were so free.

A beggar walked that very morn  
Along the way the other'd gone.  
He breathed the biting autumn air.  
And viewed the frost fields with care,  
And laughed to hear the children shout,  
As merrily they played about—  
"The world is beautiful," he cried,  
"How good it is to be alive!"

And people passing thought they knew  
Which was the happier of the two;  
For they saw just the outward part,  
And would not gaze into the heart.

Charlotte Ruberti.

## Shoe Sizes

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So plans are made, are changed and are revised again. The only sure plan is that they will have departed on Thursday, March 24th. During this time there will be a constant intermingling of business and pleasure. They visit and observe in different New York schools as well as take in the highlights of the metropolitan area.

Enough of this divergence, what happens to those Seniors who are not going? They can easily be singled out by hearing their absurd excuses such as: a long, long relative is in town, an unexpected bill has been received, or last year's income tax has to be paid. What it really boils down to is that he is either short on cabbage or more likely his wife won't let him go.

I imagine these unfortunate Seniors represent a small problem. What is to be done with them for two days while the ma-

Dr. Eloise Seifert, handwriting and reading instructor, joined the faculty of Worcester State Teachers College, in September of this school year.

Dr. Seifert, a resident of Framingham, received her grammar school education at the Academy of the Assumption, in Wellesley. She received her secondary education training at Ursuline Academy, in Boston.

For her undergraduate training, Dr. Seifert matriculated at Georgian Court, in New Jersey, graduating in 1953. In 1955, Dr. Seifert received her Masters Degree in Education from Boston University. During the summer of 1959, she was awarded a Doctorate in Education from Boston University. Dr. Seifert specialized in Elementary Education and Personal Styles of Handwriting while studying for her Master and Doctorate degrees.

From 1953 to 1955, Dr. Seifert taught school on the elementary level in Brookfield and Berlin, Mass. From 1955 to 1957, she was employed as a supervisor in the Rinehart method of handwriting in Brookfield and Berlin. From

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secretly began construction of a massive icicle extending from Port Arthur to Warsaw. It was a gigantic project and took two hundred - thousand Siberian slaves with pails of water to construct the icicle. At last it was ready on October 14, and Russia revealed it to the world.

The European nations now looked to Russia as a leader, and began to import snow and ice at a tremendous rate. Russia's commerce sky - rocketed. A dark cloud fell over America; now Americans must unite.

The "Vine Senators" from the South blamed the "iciclists" of the North. Finally, both turned on education as a scape goat. "Our schools are not adequate enough to compete with our Russian rivals in this field," said Admiral Hiram Konet. "Our schools need more solid subject matter, pertaining to the subjects concerned," continued Konet.

Russia then proclaimed to the world that she was the nation that had invented icicle "growing", and then began to compete in the under developed nations with the U.S. "iciclists." The United States, not to be outdone, made Alaska a state in order to "grow" an icicle that would reach from Alaska to Key West, Florida.

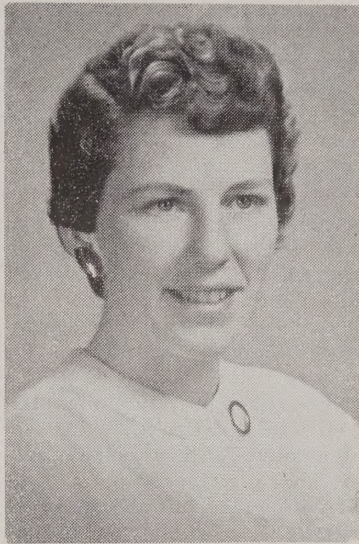
Unfortunately, the project melted somewhere near Nevada. Another project, to grow a vine from Miami to Honolulu, dried up in Texas. Desperate, the United States could do nothing. Eventually, the Russian icicle melted and the U. S. licked its wounded pride.

Thus ended on the strangest revolutions of our time. I should write the moral of this story, but I can't think of one, can you?

Leslie Brooks.

majority of their classmates are in New York? Extending them a small vacation would surely develop feelings of partiality among underclassmen. The actual problem is that these Seniors attend their classes as on ordinary days because their classmates are also receiving educational knowledge on the excursion.

This is all fine and dandy but



DR. ELOISE SEIFERT

September 1957, to June 1959, Dr. Seifert taught and studied under the fellowship program at Boston University.

Since coming to Worcester State Teachers College, Dr. Seifert has been teaching Methods and Improvement of Handwriting, Methods of Teaching Reading, the Teaching of Study Skills (for the remedial reading program), and will soon become a supervisor of handwriting on the elementary level.

Dr. Seifert enjoys many outside hobbies, and has a very special interest in tennis, skiing, and bridge.

Since coming to Worcester State Teachers College, Dr. Seifert has been greatly impressed by the conscientious attitude exhibited by the students, their promptness in arriving to class on time, and the quiet and orderly manner in which students move from class to class.

On behalf of the student body, we would like to take this opportunity to extend a warm and gracious welcome to Dr. Seifert. We feel that Dr. Seifert is a valuable addition to our fine existing faculty, and we hope her stay with us will be an enjoyable and satisfying experience.

J. H. H.

## Do You Disagree?

If you disagree with any articles that appear in the Acorn, please feel free to write a rebuttal. All articles of this nature should be titled, 'letters to the editor.' Members of the staff and those that contribute to the paper would be interested in receiving constructive criticism and opposite viewpoints of those articles which appear in the Acorn.

Editor.

what has this to do with the price of ice cream in Madagascar? Simply, I hope it will give rise to your thinking of which shoe you will be wearing approximately this time of year when you are a Senior. Will you be preparing for the excursion or if not what will occur in your vastly diminished classrooms? Continue with the subject matter? Perhaps this is needless, it probably will have to be repeated when your fellow students return. Review past concepts? This is not necessary, you understand them completely now. Diverge to minute points? I told you your laziness will get you

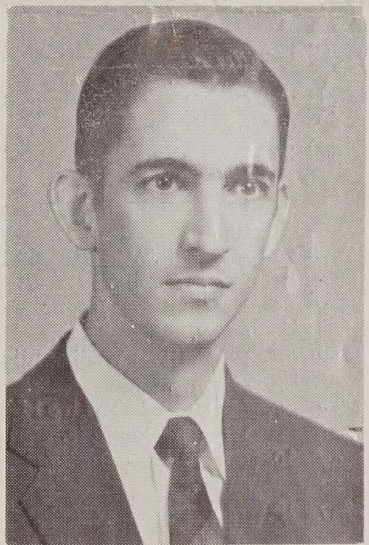
into trouble someday. Fellow students the answers to these questions can be found only through experience.

Joe Student.

Worcester State Teachers College has as a member of its faculty, a rather interesting individual, named Joseph J. Foley. Mr. Foley comes to us after a rather thorough preparation in his field of study.

Mr. Foley graduated **Cum Laude** from Holy Cross College in 1951, receiving at that time a B. A. in English. During the years 1951-1955 Mr. Foley fulfilled his civic obligations by serving in the United States Navy as a legal advisor aboard the USS Carrier Siboney. He had previously received legal training at the Naval Justice School, Newport, Rhode Island. Human nature being what it is, Mr. Foley, upon severance with the United States Navy, returned to his primary interest, literature. In 1957 Mr. Foley received from Boston College the degree of M. A. T., with a major in English and a minor in Education. Mr. Foley informs us that he has completed all requirements for an M. A. in English at Columbia University. When queried as to what he did at Columbia University, Mr. Foley replied that he devoted a full year to serving on the staff of the Special Collections Department. While serving on the staff, Mr. Foley relates that he was particularly interested in a collection of letters written by Charles Stanley Reinhard and Henry James. He recounts that while studying at Columbia for his M. A., he wrote a thesis entitled **THE BOOK REVIEW AND MID-EIGHTEENTH CENTURY MEDIA FOR THE ESSAY**.

When asked to comment on the student body at Worcester State Teachers, Mr. Foley, with rather an amused smile replied, "I find



JOSEPH J. FOLEY

the students most cooperative." He further elaborated on his impressions by stating that Worcester was quite a different city when viewed from Chandler and May rather than Mount Saint James.

Mr. Foley remarked in passing that last summer he had an opportunity to teach English to Spanish immigrants. This he did with apparent success, although he mentioned that he was not prepared to handle the Spanish side of the problem.

The future is not definitely planned in the mind of Mr. Foley, for he says he has not decided where he will take his PhD. He is debating between Columbia University and Rutgers. His particular field of study is Eighteenth Century Literature with great emphasis placed on Johnsonian criticism.

We might remark that the future of Mr. Foley looks bright at W. S. T. C., for it appears that he is well qualified for his work, and equally interested in carrying it out.

John J. Scott



# STUDENT COUNCIL

Your Student Council has been devoting much of its time in the past month to a revision of the Constitution. The major section under consideration has been Article III which deals with elections. It stands as follow:

### Article III

To be eligible for election to membership in the Council, a student must have a grade of "C" or above in all studies taken during the two semesters immediately preceding his election. Freshmen members shall be elected at large. Nominations for member of the Council shall come from the classes.

Nominations shall be certified by office records. Votes will then be taken at the next class meeting. There shall be two members from each class, three from the senior class. The President of the Council has no voting power with the exception of a "Tie" vote in Council. The Council shall follow all rules set down in this Constitution which are applicable to all college organizations.

Various points have been taken up and the following recommendations have been made. Because of the steady growth of the student body, it was agreed upon by all the members that the number

on the council be increased to three from the freshman, sophomore, and junior classes and four from the senior class. A provision was also suggested that would allow for readjustment of membership in future years according to student enrollment. A quality point average of 3.0 for the semester previous to an election was tentatively set for representatives on the Student Council and a quality point average of 2.5 for all other officers in the respective classes.

When the proposed revisions to the constitution are completed, the council will present them to the student body for approval.

J. B.

## I.R.C.

At the March meeting of the International Relations Club, Dr. Kent Redmond, a recent addition to the history department, addressed the students on the United States Missile program.

Dr. Redmond is indeed a qualified observer of our research and development programs concerning missiles, having spent five years as a governmental historian in the missile program.

In his talk, Dr. Redmond pointed out the inefficiency and mediocrity of the missile program which, he says, can result from a democratic form of government. For instance, placing mediocre men in high governmental positions where they may pass judgment on brilliant young men whose findings and reports they do not understand at all. Dr. Redmond seemed surprised that we are not further behind than we actually are in the missile development race. Elimination of duplication, closer cooperation and more right men in the right positions, he said, are some solutions to the problem.

The officers and members of the club would like to publicly thank Dr. Redmond for a most enjoyable and enlightening report.

P. F.

## FRENCH CLUB

Miss Myrtle Michaelson, a teacher at South High, will be the speaker at the next meeting of the French Club that will take place on April 8. Her topic will be about her experiences and travels in France.

At the last meeting indefinite plans were made concerning the Club banquet that usually takes place in April. After the talk by Miss Michaelson, a short business meeting will be held so that definite arrangements can be made. Members are reminded that the second semester dues should be paid at this meeting.

All students are invited to attend.

Gloria Rheume

weekend.

The second project was the Scholarship Smorgasbord held at Adams Square Congregational Church. The money made from this event will be used as a scholarship for an incoming freshman. Besides the projects, a missionary film on Africa was shown and a Splash Party held at the Y.M.C.A. with Mr. John Chadwick as our guest speaker.

Ethel A. Helgesen, Pres.



Sally Murphy and Doris McCarthy read over their lines in "The Woman Who Understood Men."

## Dr. Redmond

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Dr. Redmond's duties as Deputy Command Historian were to see that there was compiled a semi-annual history of all the organization work done in conjunction with these projects and as such he had by regulation access to all material. The command also wrote special studies and monographs on Air Force projects. This material is used by Air Force personnel as working backgrounds as they explained why and what happened and pointed out errors to avoid making them a second time.

Born in Brooklyn, New York, Dr. Redmond and his family moved to Los Angeles, California, where his father was employed in the movie industry. He received his degrees at the University of California, Los Angeles and U.S.C. During World War II, he served in the Pacific on air-ground liaison, in what was one of the first such groups to do this type of work. After the war and graduate school, he entered into the Air Force historical program serving eight months in Alamogordo, New Mexico, before being transferred to command headquarters in Baltimore, Maryland, where he was later made Deputy Command Historian. Dr. Redmond is married to the former Miss Doris Timm of South Dakota, also a teacher. They have two fine children in Shawn Timothy, four, and Eileen Elizabeth, age two.

M. B.

## ACTION

To the rear of the Administration Building at W.S.T.C. there is an open cesspool, euphemistically termed by some as the "college pool."

This is in sad shape! It now serves as a receptacle for assorted rubbish; floating and sunken. Its shores resemble the after-math of a junkman's rummage sale. Surely a show place for visitors to W.S.T.C.

Let's clean it up! Even if we have to get our hands dirty. I'm afraid that is the only solution, let us all get out there and clean it up.

Why all this work?

1. To clean up an eyesore.
2. To foster better school spirit through cooperative effort on a school wide basis.
3. Turn this into a picnic grove, wherein many social events, might be held during that portion of the school year wherein the weather is favorable.
4. Give individuals, who gripe the loudest, a chance to correct the basis of their gripes. After all these gripers claim there is nothing right at W.S.T.C. hence they can now help correct one glaring item of neglect.

Won't you let the Acorn know how you feel about this. If enough interest is evidenced the project will start April 24.

## KAPPA DELTA PI

The annual Spring initiation banquet of Gamma Chi Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, National Honor Society in Education, was held on March 15 at Franklin Manor in West Boylston. Initiates were the following members of the present junior class, who qualified for admission by scholastic placement in the upper ten per cent of their class: Mrs. Kay Bolduc, Jane M. Borthwick, Theresa J. Breen, Joan P. Cure, Geraldine V. Giroux, William J. Hassett, Sandra L. MacDonald, John F. MacWade, Mrs. Marjory G. McClelland, Mrs. Josephine Miller, Lois M. Morelli, Edward C. Nelson, Kathleen M. O'Connor, Bette

H. Phillips, Elizabeth L. Schunmann, Susan Sullivan, and Sandra Varnum.

President Sullivan greeted the group and offered his congratulations to the new members.

Victoria Jarvis presented the highlights of her experience as delegate from Gamma Chi Chapter to the national convocation of Kappa Delta Pi held at Chicago on March 12 through 14.

The speaker of the evening was Mr. Everett O'Keefe, who presented slides showing sites of interest in his recent tour of Europe.

Mr. Noel Zinkievich, President of Gamma Chi Chapter, was master of ceremonies.

Mary O'Connell

## Newman Club Spaghetti Supper

On March 8 the Newman Club held its annual Spaghetti Supper in the school cafeteria. The event was a remarkable success and we hope that all those who attended had an enjoyable evening. A vote of thanks goes to all those who gave so willingly of their time and effort. The menu consisted of spaghetti and meat balls, salad, French bread and butter, coffee and assorted home-made pastries. The Junior class did a splendid job in furnishing the entertainment.

Oftentimes there is mention made of the lack of school spirit, and rightfully so. However, this was not true of this function. The students are to be commended for the wonderful support they gave to help to make the supper a success. The members of the Newman Club also wish to thank Dr. and Mrs. Busam for their invaluable support. To those who attended, we hope that you enjoyed yourselves. To those of you who missed it, well, there's always next year.

E. C.

## The Primary Season

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A very interesting campaign. I, myself, would like to see Kennedy obtain the nomination. He meets all of the logical characteristics excepting a pivotal state. Just recently, Ohio's Senator Lausche has pledged his favorite son ballots to Kennedy so this solves a major stigma. Also, the New England delegates are planning to give all 116 electoral votes to him, so this will also overshadow the pivotal state problem. As for his religion, the recent publicity about it seems to help, rather than hinder his campaign. Many people would vote for a Catholic just to show the experts that they are not prejudiced. On the other side, Mr. Nixon will be watching the Democratic Convention results for the primaries are not as important to him as they are to the Democrats. Now let's take a look at the primary.

The first primary was held in Wisconsin in 1904. The primary was originally organized to elect the delegates directly. In this way, a delegate would be pledged to the candidate selected by the people. Since 1916, this power has been repealed in many states while the rest claim that the delegates are only morally bound to support the primary winner. The result then is this: Mr. Kennedy can win a whole string of primary victories with this early "full bloom" campaign, but a smoke-filled hotel room in Los

## HISTORY CLUB

The History Club was delightfully entertained March 11 by Colonel Leroy Glodell who spoke on the Spanish Main and its fortifications. Colonel Glodell is an instructor of Military Science at Worcester Tech.

Fifty-five students saw colored slides taken by Colonel Glodell while he was searching for archeological ruins in Panama. He explained his methods of determining the whereabouts of the unknown Fort San Lorenzo. Then with his crew of Army personnel he would dig through the jungle underbrush until he came upon the fort ruins.

His slides were in chronological order showing each step of the digging for the lost fort.

For his discoveries in Panama and for his contributions to the historical record of the region, Mr. Glodell has been decorated by the governments of Spain and Panama.

Angeles still holds the nomination. Unless Mr. Kennedy moulds his moral pledges into a terrific and unexpected first ballot showing, he may very well lose to one of the boys in "bud" or to a dark horse like Governor Mennen "Soapy" Williams of Michigan or Governor Robert Meyner of New Jersey.

As evidence of this, Theodore Roosevelt rolled up a string of primary victories, but he lost the 1912 nomination to William Howard Taft. Senator Estes Kefauver followed the same pattern in 1952. Historical study seems to be against a primary winner becoming the party standard-bearer, but let us hope that it does not repeat itself in the case of Kennedy.

## The Future

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centage of the student body was there throughout the entire weekend. Our basketball team upon entering the semi-finals of the New England Teachers Conference Tournament in Boston had only a handful of rooters during their most important series of games of the year. (Ed. Note: Eleven people, including professors, made the trip to Boston to watch the team in action).

Let us be proud of "Our College" and of our athletic groups, and let's support them.

As future teachers of the youth of America, it is our duty to instill in our pupils a spirit in school and wherever they may be. If we do not practice it how shall we set examples for generations to come?

The fault does not lie in our school, but ourselves. Let us get out and give W.S.T.C. the boost it deserves.

D. H.

## Social Calendar

### APRIL - JUNE

- Mar. 31—A.C.E. Mother-Daughter Banquet.
- April 4—Sophomore Honor Night held in the lounge.
- April 5—Cercle Francais held at The Huguenot at 7:30.
- April 15—Spring recess.
- April 22—Baseball — Fitchburg —away.
- April 25—Chemistry meeting 6 p.m.
- April 26—Dedication of the new building at 2 p.m. in the gym and auditorium.
- April 29—Salem S.T.C. will sing for assembly.
- May 4—Baseball — Keene — away.
- May 6—Baseball — Willimantic —home.
- May 7—League of Catholic Women Congress.
- May 10—Baseball — Boston — away.
- May 12—Baseball — Lowell — away.
- May 14—Scholarship Tea.
- May 16—Baseball — Fitchburg —home.
- May 18—Baseball — Keene — home.
- May 20—Baseball — Assumption —away.
- May 23—Baseball — Lowell — home.
- May 26—Senior final exams.
- May 30—Memorial Day — no classes.
- May 31—Final exams.
- June 2—Senior Dinner Dance.
- June 3—Class Day.
- June 4—Alumni Day.
- June 5—Commencement.

## Student Christian Association

The Student Christian Association sponsored two annual projects last semester. The first concerned the collection of money and foodstuffs for needy families in the Worcester area. We were able to supply three large families with enough food for Thanksgiving and the following



# SPORTSTALK

by JACK LYNCH

From basketball to baseball in three easy steps. Twenty-two candidates reported to Coach John Mockler at initial baseball meetings last week. Returning from last year's second place team, which had a record of 7 wins and 3 losses in the New England Teacher's Conference 8 wins overall, are Captain Ralph (Fuz) Fusaro, Ron Ethier, Dick Denechaud, Harold Frazier, Mike King, Bill Leach, Bill Cronan, Gordon (Happy) Hargrove Terry O'Hara, and Frank D'Elia. Freshman hopefuls include Dick Fox from Millbury High, Mike Mulcahy of St. John's Prep, Tom Henighan of Clinton High, Frank Joubert from Marlboro High, South's Dave Hosmer, Al Johnson from North High, Bartlett's Joe Mayotte, Art Longwell from South, Bill Olson from North and Fred Glodis from Classical. Also reporting was senior Pete Cotter, a South High alumnus.

Coach Mockler is hopeful the battery candidates will turn up replacements for Ron Elkind and Norm Foisy, who graduated, and Mitch Philip, who transferred to Fitchburg. Also missing from this year's squad will be Ed King, who is working, and Billy Coonan, who is in the service.

Heading the list of pitching candidates from the freshman are Olson, Fox, Mulcahy, and Hosmer. Bill Cronan is the only holdover chucker from last year's staff.

Hosmer, who also catches, joins veterans Leach and Frazier, and Fred Glodas. Leach, incidentally, made a tremendous impression around the league last year with his strong arm and his timely line drives.

Bill hails from North Brookfield High and is the son of a well known athlete, now the principal at North Brookfield High, Martin Leach, who starred at Holy Cross. Billy's brother, Marty, was also quite an all-round sports star, both in high school and college. The tall likable catcher received tremendous reports last year in the Hearst tryouts in Boston.

An eleven game schedule, including ten league games, faces the Lancer squad this year. The season opens at Fitchburg, on April 22, and closes with league champion Lowell in a home game on May 23. The Lancers meet arch rival Assumption, in a non-league contest, May 20.

Coach Mockler hopes he can come up with a couple of reliable pitchers to go along with Cronan. He has the power in the ball club. The teams that figure to be the toughest opponents again this year are Lowell and Willimantic. Lowell has finally graduated Leo Parent, who was undefeated in four years of pitching, but has another capable chucker in Dick Lambert, who has won seven of ten games in league competition the past three years.

Willimantic has always offered Worcester trouble whenever they meet. Mockler refers to them as a "smooth ballclub."

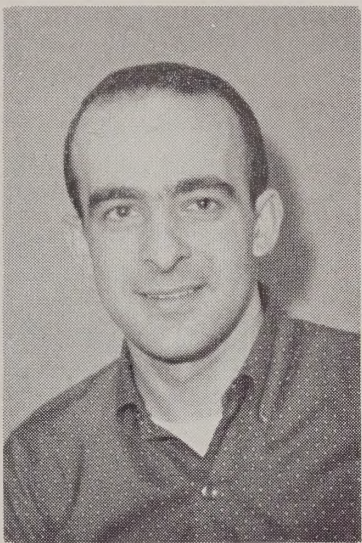
As this article goes to print, "home field" still hasn't been designated, but it is expected that the majority of the games will be played at Logan Field and the

## LITERARY CORNER

### THE LOSS IS THE GAIN

Spring is not Spring  
If the ravages of Winter  
Have not been felt.  
Nor is Day  
Day  
If Night has not been endured.  
What is a cool breeze  
If Warmth has not  
Been before?  
Paradise was not Paradise  
Until Paradise was  
Lost.

J. C.



RALPH FUSARO  
1960 Baseball Captain

Oval.

The schedule:

| April  |    |               |
|--------|----|---------------|
| Fri.   | 22 | at Fitchburg  |
| Tues.  | 26 | Boston        |
| Fri.   | 29 | Rice          |
| May    |    |               |
| Wed.   | 4  | at Keene      |
| Fri.   | 6  | Willimantic   |
| Tues.  | 10 | at Boston     |
| Thurs. | 12 | at Lowell     |
| Mon.   | 16 | Fitchburg     |
| Wed.   | 18 | Keene         |
| Fri.   | 20 | at Assumption |
| Mon.   | 23 | Lowell        |

DISA & DATA—Basketball is still very much in evidence, as intramurals got under way last week. We can't see how the senior elementary squad can miss winning all the marbles. This was the team, you remember, that took all opponents by such laaarrrrggee scores in varsity prelim games. These intramurals are sponsored by the MAA and considerable thanks should be given to them for the hard work they do each year in setting up schedules. Advisors John Mockler and Francis Dyson deserve a big vote of thanks.

We couldn't close out the column without mentioning major league baseball. PREDICTION: Cleveland and Detroit fight it out for the American League pennant with the New York Yankees playing the best ball the last half of the season after continuing their poor performance of last year for the first half. PREDICTION: Cleveland to beat San Francisco in seven games in the World Series, which will break all attendance records. PREDICTION: Milwaukee will fire Charlie Dressen and Red Schoendienst will be named manager only after accepting a two year pact. PREDICTION: Ted Williams finally calls it quits. Next month, I'll try to analyze each team as seen by this "sportswriter's eyes."

AND, FOR CRYING OUT LOUD, SUPPORT THE BASEBALL TEAM. THEY WON'T BE PLAYING ANY NIGHT GAMES, I PROMISE YOU.

## STC Loses Championship

The WSTC Lancers traveled to Boston, Friday, March 11, to play the Willimantic, Conn., Teachers College cagers in the semi-finals of the New England Teachers College Athletic Conference Basketball Tournament.

There was vengeance in the Lancer's Hearts as they tapped off against the defending champs. A year ago, the fourth place Connecticut team, led by Webster's George Dargati's 30 points knocked off the Lancers in the finals for the championship. Dargati was sidelined, however, for this encounter with the Lancers. But the Lancers developed a hot hand and even Dargati's presence in the lineup wouldn't have changed the outcome of the game.

## Girls' Sports

By MARY ANN BENJAMIN

On March 11th and 12th, the W.A.A. sent five delegates to the sports conference at Framingham S.T.C. The conference opened with a business meeting and, after lunch, the group listened to Mr. Colson, manager of the U.S. Olympic squads. The object of his speech was to get girls interested in the Olympics since they will be in a position when teaching to observe younger generations. The first New England showing of the 1956 Olympics followed Mr. Colson's speech.

As the convention progressed, the girls were divided into four groups to discuss:

1. the problem of different point systems
2. the value of the Olympics in international affairs
3. uniform names for all women's athletic organizations
4. questions on sending out the the state executive board to organize "play days" for all state colleges in Massachusetts.

There were no definite decisions reached in these groups although the exchanging of ideas was of great value to each participating school. A decision was reached, however, to set up a state board consisting of members of all state colleges who are to meet at a central college three times a year to establish dates for all different play days.

One of the leading questions this board will settle concerns the W.A.A. of all schools having uniformity in their names. For example, some teachers colleges do not refer to their women's athletic organization as the W.A.A. as we do.

It was requested that the board ask the colleges to settle on a name and then all the women's organizations would go under this name.

HAT'S OFF DEPT. — Nancy Norstrom, a member of the freshman class, is an outstanding athlete of whom we can all be proud. Her latest and top achievement is being named assistant coach of the Commerce High tennis team. This did not just come about, for Nancy worked hard for her athletic prowess since her own high school days. While in high school, Nancy played field hockey, basketball, and in her senior year, was captain of the softball team. A member of the intramural volleyball and basketball teams at W.S.T.C., she has worked on various ways to improve the players.

Our hats off to Nancy for achievement and recognition as a student at Worcester State Teachers College.

ence in the lineup wouldn't have changed the outcome of the game. Five players hit for double figures as Tom Murphy's foul-shooting turned what had been a close game for a half into a rout as the Lancers won by 80-57.

The next day the Lancers, second in the conference this year, faced fourth place Plymouth, N. H., for the championship. Plymouth had beaten first place Bridgewater the night before.

After the seven minute mark in the first half, the Lancers held a 14-13 lead with Tom Murphy hooping 12 of the 14 points. In the next three minutes, Steve Kokernak developed a hot hand and scored 7 points and the Lancers led by four, 21-17. The largest lead of the night enjoyed by either team came with five minute left in the first half, with WSTC up by nine, 35-26. However, in the next five minutes, Plymouth finally started to click and they went out at halftime leading by a scant point, 40-39. During that five minutes, they scored fourteen points while holding the Lancers to a scant four points. Kokernak had 17 at halftime and Murphy had 14, for a total of 31 of the team's 39 points.

All through the second half, Worcester fought hard for possession of the ball but they still couldn't keep Plymouth from scoring as the underdogs hit for a tremendous percentage.

The scores as recorded as time ran on would probably give the best indication of what happened in the second half. After four minutes of the half, Plymouth had built up a 47-42 lead; at the ten minute mark, the score was 52-50 as Capt. Paul Welcome and Bert Bolduc split eight points between them; with six minutes left, Steve Kokernak hit a field goal and the Lancers went into a short-lived lead, 58-56. But Plymouth came back with four and the Lancers were behind for keeps as the score at the 15 minute mark read Plymouth 60 Worcester 58. With a minute and a half left to go in the game Bart Bolduc put the Lancers back within striking distance 63-61.

But with 30 seconds left, Plymouth's Dick Chandler put his team ahead by four and just about put the game out of reach, as Plymouth denied the Lancers from Worcester another championship, 65-61.

Congratulations should go to Coach Fran Dyson and the squad for a job well done as the Lancers, not picked too highly in pre-season ratings surprised everybody by compiling a 15 and 13 league record.

J. M.

## Lancer's Scoring

Below are the scoring figures as compiled by the sports department of the ACORN as the Lancers went through a successful 16 won and 6 lost season.

| The scorers: |       |      |         |     |      |
|--------------|-------|------|---------|-----|------|
| Player       | Games | F.G. | F. Tot. | Av. |      |
| Bolduc       | 22    | 152  | 47      | 351 | 16.0 |
| Kokernak     | 22    | 136  | 67      | 339 | 15.4 |
| Murphy       | 19    | 80   | 59      | 219 | 11.5 |
| Welcome      | 22    | 82   | 42      | 206 | 9.4  |
| Clifford     | 22    | 67   | 37      | 171 | 7.6  |
| Gosk         | 8     | 25   | 10      | 60  | 7.5  |
| Constanza    | 18    | 28   | 38      | 94  | 5.2  |
| Gallagher    | 19    | 22   | 29      | 73  | 3.8  |
| Duca         | 2     | 2    | 0       | 4   | 2.0  |
| Tupper       | 2     | 1    | 1       | 3   | 1.5  |
| Spakauskas   | 12    | 6    | 5       | 17  | 1.4  |
| Prosser      | 5     | 1    | 2       | 4   | .8   |

J. E. L.

BUY U.S. BONDS

## W.A.A.

The Women's Athletic Association has sponsored bowling at the 20th Century Alleys on Thursday with a great deal of success. Another activity that is becoming equally as popular is the swimming at the Winthrop House on Monday evenings.

We are now in the process of planning for our Father-Daughter Banquet to be held on May 3, 1960, which will culminate a successful year of sports. Attendance to the banquet requires six points; all women planning to attend please participate in the scheduled program to attain the necessary points. Athletic Awards for the 1959-1960 school year are made at this time.

F. G.

## Prom of 1959 Carosel... Junior

By A. NONY MOUSE

It's getting so a guy can't have his evenings to himself anymore! For instance, I usually look forward to a weekend free from vibration 'til Monday morning's first gym class. But,—come the 21st of November, and the usual day's excitement became more pronounced towards late afternoon. I was scurrying home after a fruitful search of the cafeteria when I nearly got stepped upon by the size 9 foot of Roland Varin, whom someone later mentioned as the chairman of a Decoration Committee. I suppose the word "decoration" had something to do with all the confusion which resulted from the assembling of all sorts of materials into a huge tent-like affair. As I further looked about from my relatively safe home, I noticed a small booth near the entrance, where two people called Bert Bolduc and Happy Hargrove were leaving dance orders for the members of their committees. I was startled to see at the window of the colorful booth, a menagerie of pocket-sized animals,—tigers, dogs, and of all animals, my very own cousin, "Mahe-table." Curious now, as well as frightened, I checked further, and overheard a pretty red-head say, "Won't the girls just love these adorable stuffed animals?" Relieved, I decided to explore the tumult in the cafeteria and here I discovered the secret of the evening. Two people, Lois Morelli and Howie Dimmock were preparing refreshments for the partakers of the coming merriment which I overheard called the Junior Prom "Carousel." Aha, so that is what it's all about! And me with only three hours left to call Minnie, my girlfriend.

To make a long story short. Minnie was a little put out that I should call her so late, but she was very understanding, and so we went to the Carosel. The humans that planned the whole proceedings nicely left some space on the outskirts for the likes of us, so that we could dance unnoticed and untrampled. The whole evening was a wonderful success; I overheard so many couples say this! The best part of the night came when they chose a Queen. The court was made up of four lovely Junior girls, Jane Borthwick, Dot Pallys, Sheila Johnson, and Joan Cure. Then came the breathtaking moment when the Queen was announced. Gee, was she pretty, that Marcia Horan A beautiful Queen. Hm-mmboy, if only I were a man, instead of a mouse!

M. H.



STAR OF THE VARSITY-INTRAMURAL  
ALL STAR GAME (WHICH THE VARSITY WON)  
WAS NONE OTHER THAN THE REFEREE:

No. 5-You  
STEPPED  
OFF-SIDE!!

TED PROVOST

TEDDY WAS  
CALLING 'EM FROM  
THE OTHER END  
OF THE GYM, EVEN.

THE FANS  
MARVELED AT THE  
WAY HE WAS ABLE  
TO COVER UP FOR BOB  
DEVLIN BY CALLING  
FOULS BOB MISSED

ONE HAPPY THOUGHT:  
FINAL EXAMS START IN  
TWO SHORT  
MONTHS (MAY 26)

APRIL  
MAY  
JUNE  
JULY  
AUGUST  
SEPTEMBER  
OCTOBER  
NOVEMBER  
DECEMBER  
JANUARY  
FEBRUARY  
MARCH

WHERE  
HAS THE TIME  
GONE?

"A NOMINEE FOR  
A LOBOTOMY  
AWARD"....  
DOROTHEA  
DIX

COMING SOON TO  
THE W.S.T.C AUDITORIUM

W.S.T.C. FANS GO  
WILD AS OUR TEAM SCORES"

HATS OFF TO  
OUR BASKETBALL  
TEAM ON THEIR  
VERY FINE SHOWING  
IN THE NEW ENGLAND  
TOURNAMENT  
(RUNNERS-UP)  
A JOB WELL DONE....AND NOW INTO BASEBALL SEASON.... (OPENS IN APRIL)

MR. MOCKLER  
HAS CALLED  
BASE BALL  
TRYOUTS

ALL ELEVEN [11] OF THEM

COMING SOON!!!  
SOPHMORE-SENIOR  
PROM

APRIL 29 - SO DON'T WAIT 'TIL  
THE LAST MINUTE-BUY YOUR  
TICKETS AS SOON AS THEY GO ON SALE

A SUGGESTION  
FOR THE PHRASE  
"MOST OFTEN HEARD"  
WAS SUGGESTED BY ONE  
STUDENT:  
"...A VERY BRIEF, BUT VERY IMPORTANT  
ARTICLE"

DO NOT MISS IT!!!  
AL POSTONE VS. ELIOT MESS  
IN THE MUSICAL SENSATION...  
15 GREAT SONGS...  
RUINED BY  
15 BIG MOUTHS  
"THE  
UNDESIRABLES"

JUST ONE  
QUESTION!

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ARE THE RUMORS  
TRUE CONCERN-  
ING THE  
SENIOR TEA?  
COULD  
WILL  
BE IN  
VOGUE?

"LET'S GIVE THE  
BASEBALL TEAM  
BETTER SUPPORT  
THAN THE BASKET-  
BALL TEAM  
RECEIVED."

ALL SORTS OF CANDIDATES

## Loyalty Oath

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of more value in the long run—genius or loyalty? I should think that these two objectives could be compatible, and in fact, we all know that they are. It therefore seems illogical that the mere avowal of loyalty or denial of treason places or tends to influence the student's mind into a "preconceived mold." I would rather think that loyalty to our government is instinctive and no student would resist any test of this loyalty.

In a more objective vein, we should realize that certain precautions are necessary and must be accepted in order to prevent individuals from attaining key positions in American society for the purpose of betrayal. These safeguards are not incompatible with the preservation of our basic freedoms, and more specifically with our freedom to an education. As American citizens, we do have the right to an education, but the government is certainly not required to finance this "privilege" of higher education or learning. The American government, through the National Defense Education Act, is granting the American student a great favor; and yet, by our resistance to a specific qualification of this act, we dare to prescribe the conditions and standards under which we will accept this financial favor.

Doesn't it seem only logical that this government act might require the recipient of a national very institution that is making his education possible? In fact,

the refusal of colleges to abide by this requirement seems to produce only a negative result, loan to state his loyalty to the namely, the deprivation of some needy students of an education.

The success or failure of this loyalty oath requirement and its underlying purpose cannot yet be ascertained. We cannot judge objectively that which is still so close to us. We can merely wait and see, see whether the outlawing of treason will prove to be of benefit to the security of our nation, or if it will become a "preconceived mold" of any hindrance to academic freedom.

Maryanne E. Shea.

## Have Umbrella—Won't Travel

The appointment was at 2:30. It was pouring out. I hurried to get dressed; then I ran for the door. Before I could get a chance to step outside, a voice rang out with "Hey! where is your umbrella." Naturally I laughed. The last time I saw an umbrella was on a rainy day at a football game. There was also the time when I went to the beach last summer; people were using them to keep the Sun out of their eyes.

"Now Dad," I said, "you know that umbrellas are a passing fad". He looked shocked.

He said "If it was good enough for your grandfather, and me, then it's good enough for you."

He told me that if I were to use the umbrella more often, it would lend dignity to my appearance. One fellow stated "Look at that

ance. "Now if you are to carry this with you you will look just like Prime Minister MacMillan." With that statement I took the umbrella, bid him goodbye, and made my way down Main Street.

At first I thought my father was right. It was nice to be dry. I also noticed that everyone in sight was looking at me, and I began to smile.

"Gee, they all must think I'm Prime Minister MacMillan, or some big politician." The spell was soon broken as I glanced behind me. People were pointing and laughing at me.

A car screeched to a stop. A middle aged man jumped out and asked me if he could rent the umbrella for a while. It seems he was a teacher in charge of an Ancient History class. He wanted to use it as an example of what people in those days protected themselves with when it rained. By this time I would have gladly given it to him, but after all it was my father's and I owed him at least that much.

As I passed City Hall, there was a group of fellows standing on the Mall making remarks at me. They were obviously ruffians. jerk with an umbrella; nobody uses them any more." An ill-witted friend of his tapped him on the shoulder and said "Like, man, he thinks he's chicken Little, and the sky is falling."

I finally did make it to the dentist's office; but I knew that my days as an umbrella carrier were over.

I picked up the phone and called my father, "Hello Dad, you, and your ideas are all wet." Jim Jasper.

## TREES BY MOONLIGHT

A witch, a bear, a raging lady,  
A moon, a wind, and patches  
shady.

The tree that tossed wild in the  
wind

Became a bear that leered and  
grinned

And danced in rage.

An oak with many a wind swept  
bough

Became a German Frau  
With streaming hair.

She reeked of age and all things  
old,

I pitied her out in the cold.

I looked again. She was not there.  
On the spot where she had stood

There was a rolling stump of  
wood.

Then I turned from reverie,  
And the thought came back to  
me

How wind and moon can change  
a tree!

Charlotte Ruberti.

## CARDS, ANYONE?

Hearts, diamonds, clubs, and  
spades,

Aces, kings, queens, and knaves—  
When you have nothing else to  
do,

There's a card game made just  
for you.

So play it!

When that English theme's com-  
pleted,

Math and history fully treated—  
And you have only speech left  
to go,

The English language supplies the  
word "NO!"

So say it! Shirley Sampson.

## ADVICE TO THE LOVE-LORN

"But one loved the pilgrim soul  
in you,

And loved the sorrows of your  
changing face."

Why is it young girls invariably tend to write poems about love, when they know nothing about the subject? No woman, with the possible exception of Sappho, has ever excelled in a field dominated by the genius of men. No girl can ever match the exquisite sadness or simplicity of the above line, written by a man who had loved. No female can ever compete with the likes of Donne, D. H. Lawrence, Keats, Ronsard, and Yeats—an odd combination of poets, but one composed of men, who seem to be much more capable of writing sensitively on the subject without getting sickening about it.

Love, contrary to Hollywood propaganda, belongs to the old. They have earned their right to speak about it, because they have learned, through experience, what it is. Unfortunately, it is such a pleasant, free-wheeling subject that it beckons young would-be-poetesses to unleash themselves in frenzied flights of breathless ecstasy—possibly serving to release their frustrations, as well.

Anyway, such unabashed sentiment is painful to see in print, especially in a family-type college newspaper.

Advice to the editors: scrap it.

Advice to young would-be-poetesses: don't profane love with your purity. How about a nice Celtic Twilight instead? M. K.